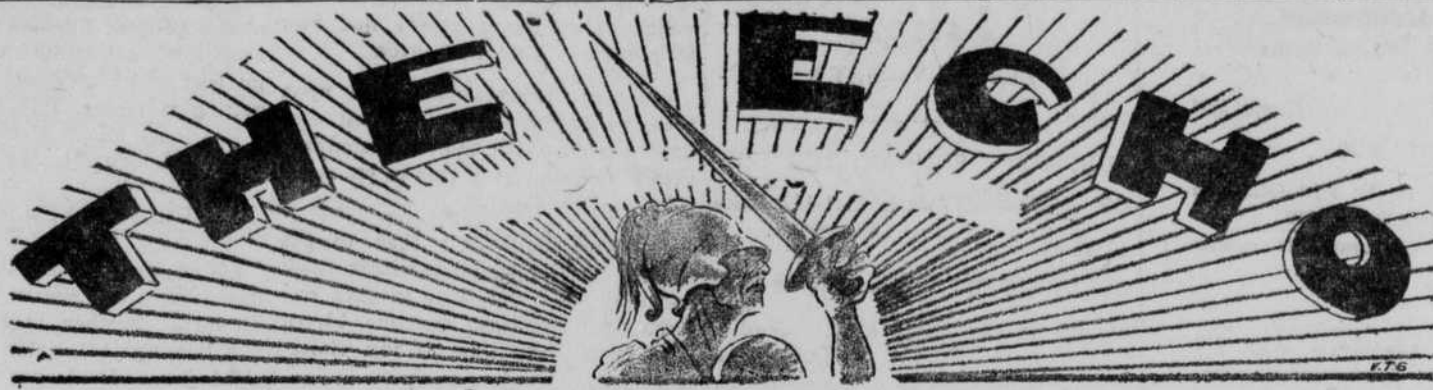


# NEGRO FAMILIES JOIN AMERICA'S MARCH

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## SINCERE APPRECIATION

### Hundreds Of Thou- sands heads of Negro Families Join America's Sugar Rationing March

#### SUGAR RATIONING

Equal opportunity, equal responsi-  
bility are next week's wartime watch-  
words as hundreds of thousands of  
heads of Negro families join Ameri-  
ca's march, May 4, 5, 6 and 7, to city  
schools and country schools to get  
their sugar rationing books.

Rationing is the American way of  
tightening one's belt because it is  
based on need, and takes no account  
of race or creed, color or financial  
status.

Under the rationing system promul-  
gated by the Office of Price Adminis-  
tration it is share and share alike, as  
"Americans All" cut the use of sugar  
on the home front so that the soldiers  
and sailors on the fighting front may  
get the energy and the munitions they  
need.

Why do we have to ration sugar?  
Sugar supplies from the Philippines  
are cut off. Hawaiian supplies are un-  
certain because of war in the Pacific.  
Less sugar is coming from other coun-  
tries because ships are needed to  
carry more strategic war materials.

Sugar is a weapon of war. Includ-  
ed in an American fighting man's ra-  
tions, it provides him with a compact,  
quickly effective source of energy.  
Then again, sugarcane has been used  
to make industrial alcohol for explo-  
sives. Explosives are needed to blast  
the Axis.

How does rationing work? Every  
person in the country—regardless of  
age—can get a ration book. You will  
take your war ration book to the gro-  
cery store—any store you like—give  
the grocer the ration stamp for the  
period the stamp covers and he will  
sell you your ration of sugar. Per-  
sons who have hoarded sugar, how-  
ever, will not receive a complete book.

How much sugar will you get?  
Each member of your family can get  
a fixed amount for each ration peri-  
od. This amount will have to vary  
from week to week or month to month  
but it will be from 1/2 to 1 pound per  
person per week. During the rationing  
season there will be an extra ration  
to allow sugar for those who do home  
canning. That's another reason for  
sugar rationing.

Millions of Americans alike will  
register at 240,000 elementary schools  
throughout the nation.

A registration book will be issued  
for every man, woman and child in  
the United States except members of  
the armed forces, and persons per-  
manently away from home, such as  
persons expected to be permanently

hospitalized or confined to an institu-  
tion. A ration book may be applied  
for on behalf of persons only temp-  
orarily absent from home.

After the initial registration, late-  
comers may obtain their war ration  
books by application to a local ration-  
ing board—though the local boards  
will not accept any applications for  
a two-week period following the close  
of registration.

One adult should register for each  
family unit. Servants, lodgers, and  
others who may live in a household,  
but who are not members of a fami-  
ly unit, must register individually.  
A family unit consists of a group, re-  
lated by blood or marriage and liv-  
ing and eating together under the  
same roof.

Consumers will have to certify the  
amount of sugar they have on hand  
when they register for War Ration  
Book No. 1. For all sugar in excess  
of two pounds per person, stamps  
will be torn out of the ration books,  
preventing further purchase of sugar  
until the boards are used up. False  
certification will be punishable under  
the United States Criminal Code.

### About Folk We Know

Mr. G. D. Cotton of Enterprise was  
in the office a few days ago to report  
a death of his lodge. Mr. Cotton is  
president of H. B. A. No. 267, En-  
terprise, Miss.

Mrs. Missouri Barnett of Barnett  
and president of H. B. A. No. 257,  
was in the office last week on busi-  
ness pertaining to her lodge. She  
was accompanied by her daughter  
and son-in-law.

The Woman's Society of Christian  
Service held a meeting Tuesday night  
of last week at Rose Hill Methodist  
Church. A large number of mem-  
bers were present.

Reverend R. L. Young, pastor of  
Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, visit-  
ed the State meeting in Jackson last  
week. He was accompanied by Mr.  
M. A. Durr of Toomsaba.

Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Brooks attended  
the doctors' meeting held in Mound  
Bayou, Miss., last Wednesday and  
Thursday.

G. D. Cotton, President



W. ENTERPRISE NEWS

Dear Editor:

This comes to let the readers know  
that Lodge No. 267 of which Bro. G.  
D. Cotton heads as local president,  
has lost a faithful member in the  
person of Bro. Lee Roy Chamberliss.  
He was a member of Fellowship Bap-  
tist Church. He leaves to mourn his  
loss a wife, one daughter, one grand  
daughter, two brothers and other re-  
latives and friends.

Allie Buckley, Reporter

BRO. FLOYD OTT KNOCKS AGAIN

Dear Editor:

This is Brother Floyd Ott at the  
door again with two more applica-  
tions to be counted in the "1000 Mem-  
bership Drive."

Floyd Ott, Toomsaba

#### STATE LINE

Brother Editor:

We will send in some new members  
in a few days. I want to sell 100  
copies of the Weekly Echo. Send me  
thirty copies of this week's issue.  
We mean to get in the drive in honor  
of the General President to help add  
1000 more members.

George L. Pierce, Jr., President

Mr. R. B. Wooten was in the office  
Wednesday morning and brought ap-  
plications for two new members. Bro-  
ther Wooten says, "I am for the 1000  
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE 100%, and I  
am going to bring in some more ap-  
plications soon." Bro. Wooten is  
president of Lodge No. 137, Bailey,  
Miss.

Dear Secretary:

Please except another application  
from this Baby lodge, No. 483. This  
is a baby and did you know it as a  
gal baby too. This gal baby want  
the price on the regalia. She want  
everything it takes to make a woman.  
S. Sandifer, President

Dear Secretary:

Will you please let Brother Trotter  
trot on and come to us? We need  
you and the board to come here to  
Gulfport. Please send me some ap-  
plication blanks.

Mrs. Lizzie Wiley, President  
Lodge No 240

### AN APPRECIATION FROM MISSISSIPPI STATE FEDERA- TION OF COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS.

#### AN APPRECIATION

We wish to take this means of ex-  
pressing our sincere appreciation to  
the many friends of both races who  
were instrumental in securing the  
passage of the recent Bill establishing  
a Delinquent Home for Negro youth.  
The Mississippi State Federation of  
Colored Women's Clubs has had this  
as its major object for more than 20  
years. Everything else has been sub-  
ordinated to the Delinquent Home.  
Now that this has been accomplished  
we are able to release our energies  
in the direction of National Defense.  
In fact, our program has already been  
attuned along this line. At a recent  
meeting of our executive board seven  
hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) was  
voted to purchase Defense Bonds. Al-  
though this money was taken from  
our meager treasury we were proud  
to do our share in this great struggle  
to preserve our National heritage.

Hundreds of white and Negro citi-  
zens of Mississippi have cooperated  
with us in putting this program over.  
Again, we thank you for the inter-  
est that you have manifested in us  
and we feel sure that we shall con-  
tinue to have your aid and assistance  
on any matters that may arise in the  
future.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Ruth O. Hubert, Pres.,  
Mrs. Bertha L. Johnson, Chm.,  
Legislative Committee

CHUNKEY, MISS.

Dear Secretary:

The members of lodge No. 176  
want to let you and the members of  
the other Lodges know that we are  
in the race for the thousand member-  
ship drive. We don't make no fuss  
but you better watch us. I am send-  
ing in another application and I am  
expecting some more soon.

Derias Croft, President

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed you will find a money-or-  
der for two applications. Lodge No.  
444 is now entering the membership  
drive for June by adding members  
from now until June.

Mrs. Eula Berkhalter, President

GULFPORT, MISS.

Rev. W. D. Ridgeway, Pastor of  
the Little Rock Baptist church, West  
Gulfport, Miss., celebrated his Second  
Anniversary which began Monday  
night, April 6, and ended Sunday  
night, April 12. The Anniversary  
sermon was delivered by Reverend J.  
G. McQueen, Jr. Total amount of  
money raised, \$140.29

The Barometer is moving up fast.  
Rush young, new members to the  
office. One thousand members is the  
watch word.

Picayunc, Miss.

A Baby Contest and Dollar Drive  
was given at the St. Matthew Bap-  
tist Church, Sunday night to benefit  
the painting of the church. The  
babies who took part in the contest  
were: Bettie Seal Davis, daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and Nolia  
Evelyn McGowan, daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. Huey McGowan. Baby Da-  
vis raised \$23.97 and Baby McGowan  
raised \$17.03. Total raised in Baby  
Contest, \$41.00. \$6.15 was raised in  
the Dollar Drive. \$10.25 was donated  
by friends. Total amount raised,

\$57.65. We wish to thank the com-  
munity for supporting us in our con-  
test and drive.

Rev. E. H. Pottes, Pastor  
Deacon Willis Fulton, Reporter  
CLIFTONVILLE, MISS.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Enclosed you will find money-order  
for two new members and three re-  
newals. Please send me four more  
application blanks. We are doing  
our best to grow our membership.  
Please reply at once. Thanking you  
in advance, I am

Claud Gavin, President  
Will Skinner, Secretary

## To Charter Bus

#### TO CHARTER BUS

We plan to charter a bus to go to  
Picayune on Wednesday, June 3rd.  
We would like to hold more Boards  
this quarter, but because of the tire  
situation we are compelled to cut  
down on the number of Boards held.  
If this tire situation keeps on, we will  
have to do our traveling to and from  
Board by bus and train.

We plan to charter a big bus for

the Board at Picayune and as we  
leave Meridian we hope to pick up  
passengers all the way from Meridian.

We want our Mt. Olive, Collins,  
Columbia and Magee presidents to  
meet us in Hattiesburg and let us  
go in one big group to Picayune.

All persons who desire a seat in  
the big bus that we hope to charter  
will please write the office and make  
reservation.

Again wishing you great success.  
Rev. E. F. Young, Gen. President

## June Boards CALENDAR

Collection \$1.35 Per Member  
Monday, June 1st, State Line, Miss.  
C. L. Moore, President  
Wednesday, June 3rd, Picayune  
Aaron Trotter, President  
Friday, June 5th, Dekalb, Miss.  
H. C. Jennings, President  
Tuesday, June 9th Macon, Miss.  
Wm. Neal, President